



Statement from the AEA Chairman on the report from the Committee on Senedd Electoral Reform.

Commenting on the [Committee for Senedd Electoral Reform report](#), Glynne Morgan, chairman of the Association of Electoral Administrators, said: "On behalf of the professionals who run elections, we would welcome extensive engagement with all key stakeholders to successfully implement any changes.

"The single transferrable vote system (STV) would be a huge change for voters, candidates and administrators alike. Should it be implemented, the system will need careful and detailed consideration.

"Voters would need sufficient time and information to understand a new voting system, and the rules for conduct and administration would need to be clearly drafted. STV also fundamentally changes the way election counts run after the close of poll, as it is a longer and more complex process than the current first past the post system.

"We would also welcome consultation on boundary reviews should the number of Senedd members be increased. Where possible, we advise that differing area boundaries between national and local areas are avoided to reduce voter confusion and minimise administrative complexities."

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